

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 212

BY REPRESENTATIVE WADDELL

COURTS/FEDERAL: Authorizes a federal judge to perform a marriage ceremony for a specified limited time period

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 9:203(E)(8), relative to marriage officiants, judges, and justices of the peace;  
3 to provide for the extension of authority for certain federal judges to preside over a  
4 marriage ceremony for a particular period of time; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 9:203(E)(8) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §203. Officiant; judges and justices of the peace

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9 E.

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11 (8) A judge of a court of the United States whose official duty station  
12 includes a parish having a population in excess of two hundred fifty thousand but  
13 less than two hundred seventy-five thousand persons according to the latest  
14 decennial census may perform marriage ceremonies within such parish. The  
15 authority granted by this Paragraph shall only be effective from July 1, 2010, through  
16 July 31, 2010.

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DIGEST

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HB No. 212

**Abstract:** Authorizes a federal judge in certain parishes to perform a marriage ceremony between July 1 and July 31, 2010.

Proposed law authorizes a judge of a court of the U.S. whose official duty station includes a parish having a population between 250,000 and 275,000 to perform marriage ceremonies within that parish.

Proposed law grants the authority from July 1, 2010, through July 31, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 9:203(E)(8))